

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Notice is hereby given that The City of Lodi, Community Development Department, has completed an initial study and proposed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act for the project described below.

The initial study prepared by the City was undertaken for the purpose of determining whether the project may have a significant effect on the environment. On the basis of the initial study, Community Development Department staff has concluded that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment due to the imposition of several mitigation measures (see file), and therefore has prepared a proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration. The initial study reflects the independent judgment of the City.

File Number: 07-02

Project Title: Archer Daniels Midland -Sweetener Distribution Center

Project Description: The project site is located in the City of Lodi, County of San Joaquin County. The project site is composed of one parcel totaling approximately 14.94 acres at the northeast corner of Victor Road and North Guild Avenue.

Archer Daniels Midland proposes the development of a Sweetener Distribution Center and accessory components. All existing structures would be removed from the site. The proposed project would be implemented in three construction phases. Phase I would consist of an operations/distribution building, storage tank farm, boiler room, cooling towers and a rail spur. Phase II would consist of a 95,000-square-foot dry goods warehouse/distribution building. Phase III would consist of a 20,000-square-foot liquid sweetener packaging/warehouse facility. The proposed project would provide two driveways for the facility, one off of North Guild Avenue and the other off of Victor Road (for emergency vehicle access only).

Copies of the Initial Study and the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file and available for review at the following locations: 1) Lodi City Hall, Community Development Department located at 221 West Pine Street, Lodi, CA 95240; 2) Lodi Public Library, 201 West Locust Street, Lodi, CA 95240; and 3) City of Lodi website at www.lodi.gov. The City will receive comment on the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration for a 30-day period, commencing on Wednesday February 14, 2007 through Friday, March 16, 2007. Any person wishing to comment on the Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration must submit such comments in writing to the City of Lodi at the following address:

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P. O. Box 3006
Lodi, CA 95241

The Planning Commission is scheduled to consider approval of the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration at a public meeting held on March 28, 2007 starting at 7:00 pm or as soon thereafter as the matter can be considered at Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street.

Randy Hatch, Director of Community Development
February 9, 2007.